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Palawan Batak language

Batak is a Negrito language spoken on Palawan Island in the Philippines. It is sometimes disambiguated from the Batak languages as **Palawan Batak**.

Batak is spoken in the communities of Babuyan, Maoyon, Tanabag, Langogan, Tagnipa, Caramay, and Buayan (Lobel 2013:87). Surrounding languages including Southern Tagbanwa, Central Tagbanwa, Kuyonon, and Agutaynen.

Batak	
Palawan Batak	
Native to	Philippines
Region	Palawan
Ethnicity	2,040 (1990 census)[1]
Native speakers	200 (2000)[1]
Language family	Austronesian ▪ Malayo-Polynesian ▪ Philippine ▪ Greater Central Philippine ▪ Palawanic ▪ **Batak**
Writing system	Tagbanwa alphabet
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	`bya`
Glottolog	`bata1301 (http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/bata1301)`[2]

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Phonology

Consonants

		Labial	Alveolar	Palatal	Velar	Glottal
Plosive	**voiceless**	p	t		k	ʔ
	voiced	b	d		g	
Nasal		m	n		ŋ	
Fricative			s			
Lateral			l			
Rhotic			ɾ~r			
Approximant		w		j		

Vowels

	Front	Central	Back
Close	i	ɨ	u
Open		a	

[3]

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